(ख) यदि हां, तो इन समितियों को भंग किये जाने के क्या कारण हैं;

(ग) इन समितियों को कब तक भंग कर दिया जायेगा; और

(घ) नई समितियों का गठन कब तक कर दिया जायेगा ?

संचार मंत्रालय में उप मंत्री (श्री पी० वी० रंगैया नायडू) : (क) से (घ) पिछली कामचलाऊ सरकार द्वारा गठित इक्यावन (51) दूरसंचार सलाहकार समितियों (टी०ए०सी०) की समीक्षा की जा रही है । इस मामले में अंतिम निर्णय यथासमय लिया जाएगा ।

Right to privacy to Indian citizens to contain telephone tappings

510. SHRI CHIMANBHAI MEHTA:

SHRI SOM PAL:

SHRIMATI MIRA DAS:

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to give the right to privacy to citizens in view of increasing incidents of telephone tapping;

(b) total number of complaints received regarding telephone tapping during last three years and the number out of them which have been investigated and solved; and

(c) what is the result of the investigation by CBI of telephone tapping inquiry with regard to public complaint by Shri Chandrashekhar in 1990?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI P. V. RANGAYYA NAIDU): (a) The policy of the Government has always been to ensure the right of privacy of the citizens, subject to the provisions of the law.

(b) Interception of telephone messages is permissible only under Section 5 (2) of the Indian Telegraph Act, 1885 by authorised officer of the Central/State Government under certain specific conditions. Department of Telecommunications only extends technical facilities when specifically requested by such authorised officers under the provisions of the Act. The required information will, therefore, have to be obtained from the concerned authorities.

(c) The report of CBI has been handed over to the privileges Committee of the 9th Lok Sabha.

Representation from Goa Telephone User's Association

511. SHRI PRAMOD MAHAJAN: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have received any representation from Goa Telephone User's Association; and

(b) if so, what are the details thereof and action taken by Government of India?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI P. V. RANGAYYA NAIDU): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The representation is regarding Telecom services alleging malpractice. The matter has been taken up for investigation.

12.00 NOON

[The Deputy Chairman in the Chair]

STATEMENT BY MINISTER

Correcting the reply given in the Rajya Sabha on the 26th February, 1991, to Unstarred Question 239 regarding demand for Jharkhand State

THE MINISTER OF STATE INTHE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF

HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI M. M. JACOB): I lay on the Table a statement (in English and Hindi) correcting the reply given in the Rajya Sabha on the 26th February, 1991 to Unstarred Question 239 regarding Demand for Jharkhand State. [Placed in Library. *See* No. LT-538/91]

PAPERS LAID ON THE TABLE

Notifications of the Ministry of Surface Transport (Ports Wing) under Major Port Trusts Act, 1963

THE MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI JADGISH TYTLER): Madam, I lay on the Table, under sub-section (4) of section 124 of the Major Port Trusts Act, 1963, a copy each (in English and Hindi) of the following Notifications of the Ministry of Surface Transport (Ports Wing):—

(1) G.S.R. No. 15(E) dated the 8th January, 1991, approving the Tuticorin Port Trust Employees (Family securily Fund) First Amendment Regulations, 1991 [Placed in library, *See* No. LT-492/91]

(2) G.S.R. No. 150(E) dated the 19th March, 1991, approving the Paradip Port Employees (General Provident Fund) Regulations, 1991. [Placed in Library. *See* No. LT-543/91]

(3) G.S.R. No. 180(E) dated the 25th March, 1991 approving the Mormugao Port Employees. (Leave Travel Concession) (Second Amendment) Regulation, 1991. [Placed in Library. See No. LT-543/91]

(4) G.S.R. No. 215(E) dated the 15th April, 1991, approving the New Mangalore Port Trust (Recruitment of Heads of Department) Regulations, 1991. [Placed in Library. *See* No. LT-492/91]

((5) G.S.R. No. 272(E) dated the 8th May, 1991, approving the Visakhapatnam Port Employees (Retirement) Amendment Regulations, 1991. [Placed in Library. *See* No. LT-492/91]

(6) G.S.R. No. 278(E) dated the 17th May, 1991, approving the Mormugao Port Trust (Recruitment of Heads of Department) Regulations, 1991. [Placed in Library. *See* No. LT-543/91]

Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General of India—Union Government—under article 151 of the Constitution

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI M. M. JACOB): Madam, on behalf of SHRI CHINTA MOHAN I lay on the Table, under clause (1) of article 151 of the Constitution, a copy (in English and Hindi) of the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General of India—Union Government No. 8 (Commercial) of 1990] relating to Hindustan Fertilizer Corporation Limited—Haldia Fertilizer Project. [Placed in Library. *See* No. LT-536/91]

MOTION FOR ELECTION TO THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC UNDERTAKINGS

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI M. M. JACOB): Madam, I move the following Motion:—

"That this House concurs in the recommendation of the Lok Sabha that the Rajya Sabha do agree to nominate seven members from Rajya Sabha to associate with the Committee on Public Undertakings of the Lok Sabha for the term ending on the 30th April, 1992, and do proceed to elect in such manner